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Applicant:

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

December 22, 2000

Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

following preliminary amendments and remarks respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

AMENDMENTS

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 3, line 5, charge "Figs.11-13" to --Figs.9-13--

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the following claims:

Claim 9, line 1, change "claim 6, 7 or 8" to --to claim

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